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In re the Application of Group Art Unit: 3307 **MIDDLEMAN** Examiner: J. Hilten Raychem Corporation Serial No. 08/398,629 300 Constitution Drive Menlo Park, CA 94025 Filed: March 3, 1995 DEVICE OR APPARATUS FOR) June 9, 1995 RECENTED MANIPULATING MATTER JUL 2 1 1995

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please add new claims 70-75.

A surgical pouch comprising:

a bag for use with a cannula assembly having an open end for access into the interior of the bag; and

means for automatically unfurling the bag when furled around a cannula wherein the means for automatically unfurling the bag comprises a shape memory effect metal insert mounted in the surgical bag.

71. The surgical pouch of claim 70 wherein the shape memory effect metal comprises Nithal

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